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GOVERNMENT INSPECTION

ACADEMIC BOARD APPOINTED

In order to determine whether or not each cadet who has put his name in as a candidate for an AMA diploma is qualified for this, a board has been appointed to interview and look into the record of each individual graduate and let him know ahead of time whether he will graduate or not.

The chairman of this board is H. D. Deane, with Col. W. S. Robinson as his vice-chairman. The board consists of Maj. P. V. Hoover, Col. Gardner, and Maj. McCue. These are the men that will determine whether or not you will graduate. If you have not handed your name to this board, and you intend to graduate this year, you had better do so at once.

1947 BAYONET AND RECALL

As this year is almost gone, preparations must be made for next year's publications. The staff for the Bayonet and Recall has to be picked from the men in barracks who are coming back next year. So far there are only a few that we know of who are interested in this type of work, so if you are coming back next year and have had any experience in this field, or are interested, drop by 201 and turn your names in.

Plans have been made for a lot of the material in next year's issues, and if the cadets will answer this call, next year will present a wonderful set of publications to the cadets.

"GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN"

Miss Florence McCormick, affectionately known to all of us as "Mother Mac", is now on an extended leave of absence. Her address is Miss Florence McCormick, "Old Buttonwoods", Langhorne, Penna. She would like to hear from all of us while she is away recuperating from her recent illness. In her honor we are publishing an article in two parts (the first of which appears in this issue) about "Mother Mac". Sit down tonight and drop her a few lines.

The reader should make allowances for the lateness of the Bayonet in going to press.

Everyone is all stirred up around barracks now because of the coming Government Inspection. But why all the hub-bub? Just what is this thing called Government Inspection? The purpose of Government Inspection is that the Commanding-General of the 3rd Service Command want to see the advancement gained by his subordinates in connection with military establishments, officially recognized by the Government. As Augusta is a junior division of the Reserve Officers Training Corps, using equipment issued to us by the Government, every year they send representatives to inspect the equipment. There are also Government Personnel here, and the main purpose of the inspection is to make sure that the equipment and personnel are not wasted.

There are just a few days left until the inspectors will arrive, and after they get here, it is to late to start getting ready. Major Blackburn has given us a few tips, and, in his own words, here is what he said: "Once more in the course of human events we are about to undergo the annual Government Inspection. The corps is in the best condition that it has been since

I have been P.M.S. and T. With the able work of the instructors of my department, and the wholehearted effort of the cadets, it would hardly be otherwise. A few cautions and suggestions: Work on your quarters every day as though that day were May first, do not be nervous, have confidence, keep steam up right to the finish, pay strict attention to all instruction and study carefully all assignments, keep your enthusiasm at top pitch. With every cadet doing his part there will be no need to be disturbed about the outcome of G.I."

Particular emphasis should be put on all our work that pertains to tactics and military affairs. With this knowledge and our fine grounds, we are a cinch to get a good grade. A.M.A. got 90 or above years ago. Let's get that now.

There are a "thousand and one things" to do. We must be ready for inspection and then pick up all the loose ends that we have forgotten. There is only one thing left for us to do, and that's to buckle down and put our shoulder to the wheel. Above all, don't put everything off to the last minute.

MEMORIAL SERVICE HELD

FOR COL. T. J. ROLLER

The Sunday evening preceding our departure for the spring recess, a memorial service was held at the "Y" in memory of our beloved co-principal, Col. T. J. Roller. His life was portrayed in four phases by four of his intimate friends: "The founder of the 'Y,'" by Col. Robinson; "The Educator," by Major H. D. Deane; the "Man", by Major Martin Manch, and "The Friend," by Mr. John Crowle, of Staunton, Va. About five hundred persons attended this service which was in charge of Major Paul Hoover.

"DETENTION HALL"

As most of the cadets know by experience, there has been started in the afternoons a replacement for the "Don't Try List". This is the "Detention Hall". It works on an altogether different principle, and is aimed, not at the cadets who don't try, but at the ones who need help in their sub-

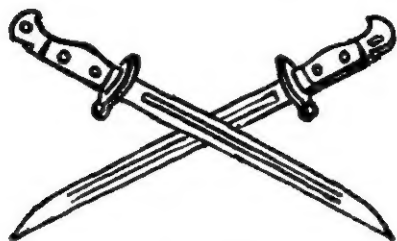
jects. If you tried in the days of the Don't Try, and couldn't get your work, the teachers couldn't touch you, even though you might need help in some particular subject. Now, if you don't get your lesson, someone is there that can help and explain your work to you.

This is a big improvement over the "Don't Try List".

"DON'T BE DISAPPOINTED"

At the present writing only eighty leather-bound copies of the Recall are left. Last year cadets were disappointed at the end of the year when there were no more leather-bound issues in order to accommodate those who are unfortunate enough not to have their issue paid for before they run out. Remember, "First come, first served," so get your order in today.

Ginger Rogers real name is Virginia McMath, and Roy Rogers real name is Leonard Slye.



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PAUL G. MOERSCHHELL

Whenever the clanging of sabers is heard or the Bayonet or Recall is mentioned the name that is uppermost in our minds is Paul. As one of the top men in this year's fencing team and also last year's, he has many a time proved his ability as a swordsman. Paul is editor of the Bayonet and did the greater part of the work on the Recall and the product of his genius is shown in these two projects. Scholastically, Paul is at the top of his class and is the outstanding mathematician of the school. He is second lieutenant in Company "D" this year and is one of the finest commissioned officers in the battalion. It is going to be hard to say so long to such an all around fellow as Paul.

ROBERT M. NELSON

One of Roanoke's many contributions to the corps this year is Bob Nelson. Bob has quite a list of achievements to his credit during his three years at Augusta among them are his participation in basketball. He holds two major monograms in that sport and was a member of the State Championship team of 1945 and again a prominent member of this year's team. In the military line he has attained the rank of second lieutenant in "D" Company. Lots of luck to Bob in whatever field he may enter after graduation in June.

EDWARD J. WELD

"Waldo", as we, his friends, know him, entered school in '42 thus starting his colorful military life as a pri-

vate in Company "D". His first year he roomed with Lea in room 123, and sailed through that year as a fine cadet. His second year was spent being a Corporal in Company "C". He then roomed with McOwen and Fields. H. in No. 3. He, in his third year, became a member of the "Busted Aristocrats" and lived in No. 11 with his buddie, Lea. For his fourth year he has come back to us with the school spirit and fire that his red hair indicates, and is doing a swell job as "skipper" of Company "D". We can find him rooming with Lea, Williams, and Shadle in No. 5. We needn't worry about his making a success of his future life; he, like all of our graduating class, has the necessary quality to finish well what he starts to do.

ALBERT K. MOCK

Although this is Albert's first year at school, he has made quite an impression on everyone both scholastically and in ranks. He is one of the best new cadets in his company and in the battalion. Al hails from Lynchburg where he graduated high school last year and is now taking a post graduate course at Augusta. The best of everything to a regular guy in whatever field he may enter in his future days.

QUADRANGLE QUIRPS

Imagine Martin L's surprise when he came to inspection arms at inspection and saw that he had no belt.

What happened to Cadet Milstead's cabin when he invited a bunch of AMA boys there during the vacation?

Everyone in "B" Company has discovered a new use for the 81 mm mortar shell case.

What were all the SMA cadets doing at track 30 in Union Station in Washington on April 2?

If you get a chance, drop down to 2 in the tower and read one of those letters that Bowie gets from Mary Ann. They are on the ball.

Torture Chamber No. 1, the barber shop. Above the door there is an inscription, "Through this door pass the bravest men in the world."

Brewer, are those cards you have registered?

Everett Scott, "Done Most for School."

What's this about Tip Eddy taking over Jack Stanley's old girl-friend? Watch out Tip, Jack will be back soon. Seibold, the boy with the Western Arabian accent.

What will AMA do now that all the girls are chaperoned?

Someone tell Jimmy Shadle that the Army wants men. The Salvation Army is still looking for recruits, Jimmy.

Two of a kind, Schloss, and former cadet Patterson.

Believe it or not, we have a new cadet that is bigger around than Schloss. You don't have to believe it, but it's true.

Someone tell Fowler that the steam engine has already been invented.

Why does Richard Rutter wake up screaming every night four or five times. Expecting rain, Richard?

Why does Tomkins have a hard time finding his glasses every morning when he gets up?

What's this about Billy VanMeter stealing Harrell's shirt. Now, now, Billy.

Bull-etin . . Mayer got a crew cut.

Mayer and Gliboff have no more underwear. Ducey has left.

Nash says that he is the strongest man in barracks and will take on all comers.

Tangorra—cleanliness personified—every OTHER Saturday night.

Sloss got up every morning at 5:30 to practice tennis. Guess what, he didn't go on the trip.

Every night in 309 they are playing cards, or—

Have you ever seen the spectacular flight of Harry "Dumbo" May from 309 to the tennis courts?

Don't cry, Jake, your hair will be back by the final ball.

That 95 was pretty good, Salzman. Next time you can finish the other 16 holes.

Tommy Mandes, the "foggy bottom" playboy.

By popular demand—"President Nash."

What's this about Spermo sleeping in his track uniform?

Request to Captain Showalter: Please book "The Outlaw," "Kitty" and "Scarlett Street".

Why is Sanders writing to Charles Atlas?

Grove and Harris are going together on a rocket ship invention. Good luck, boys.

Saxon is starting in politics early. He is taking a senator's daughter to the dance.

Milstead, we hear you tap dance.

328 is going to start a general store and SELL cigarettes.

Burton, we thought that you went with a girl from Staunton named Phillis.

Oyer, did Burton send your ring to Betty?

"Hot-Shot" Charlie Woodie—the little boy with the big smile.

We really have assorted head sizes in the south east corner. Pee top Sloss and Pumpkin head Brewer.

Brewer's ole' saying is: Hi Nash, how's the president of the final ball coming along? Anderson's saying is, Just fine Brewer, just fine.

Wilson got a letter from Betty Grable asking him to come to Hollywood, but he didn't because she didn't sign it Love.

If the pin-up contest had been from the neck down, Freeman would have entered Judy.

Dusty's sorority pin makes a good medal for Fotinos.

Who wants to know when the apple brandy festival is?

What was all the noise Sunday afternoon? Did someone start a rumor about new cadets?

Sloppy "Ike" at inspection. "What's wrong, Leventen, too many arguments?"

How long is "D" Company going to mark time before they halt is what Welch wants to know.

"MOTHER MAC"

(Editor's Note—This is the first of two articles about a lady who has spent thirty years administering to the sick and comforting all of us.)

Born of one of the first families of the State of Virginia at the historical and quaint town of Brownsburg, Mother Mac just did not come to this school by mere fate. AMA runs in the family, sort of a family tradition. Her earliest recollections of Augusta go back to the fairy-tale like story that she was told by her aunt, Alice Mc-

Cormick, of a final ball of sixty-three years ago. First, there were two uncles that attended this school; then a first still another second cousin; finally her brother selected this school, all of which happened about the same time. Thus, she was prepared by fate to come to this school. While her relatives were in attendance at AMA she decided to take up nursing as a life's profession. Thus it was about twenty-nine years ago, as she was completing a course in nursing that her minister asked her if she would be interested in obtaining a position as nurse in a boy's school. Young and just out of school and full of youthful eagerness at her first position that was offered to her, she exhibited interest. Correspondence between Mother Mac and the school ensued with the result that Miss McCormick boarded the train from Richmond to Fort Defiance.

Strange as it may seem, while Mother Mac was on her way, Major and Col. Roller chanced to meet the minister who had proposed our lady for the nursing position. Our principals inquired as to whether the nurse was frivolous and as to her age. The minister replied that she was not frivolous but that she was old enough, while still young. Major Yarbrough, upon hearing this, remarked that she must be ninety. Great was their surprise when they met her for the first time. Major had gone to the Fort Defiance depot to meet her and bring her back to school in the pony cart. Major Yarbrough was so flabbergasted that he spoke up and said she was too young and beautiful for this school (age of cadets in 1917 varied between seventeen and twenty-eight).

SPORTS

AUGUSTA NINE DOWNS

HOPKINS GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Behind the excellent pitching of Buster Moore, A.M.A. won its second straight game of the season here by pounding out a 9-4 victory over the Hopkins School of New Haven, Conn.

Moore held the visitors to seven hits and struck out twelve of them. Five Augusta errors did him no good, and with perfect support he might have had a shutout. Meanwhile, Augusta ripped out eight hits in the third, fourth and fifth innings off Hardin, the visitors' starting pitcher, and fashioned them into seven runs and the game. Lynch relieved Harkin in the fifth and held the winners in check hereafter, but the damage was done.

AMA counted twice in the third on successive singles by Moon, Gilliam, Koellmer, and Moore, and singles by Bowie and Gilliam, along with three Hopkins errors, sent three runners home in the fourth. A hit batsman, and singles by Larus and Bowie chased two more across in the fifth.

Gilliam, Koellmer, Moore and Bowie led Augusta's hitters with two singles apiece, while Carangelo got three of his team's seven hits.

BEVERLY MANOR HIGH

EASY PREY FOR AMA

In a pre-season warmup game, Augusta baseballers set a heavy foot upon

the Beverly Manor High School nine to trample them with a score of 18-5.

During the first inning things were fairly even with the Beverley Manor men coming out on top 1-0.

As the second inning progressed, spectators witnessed more of a track meet than a baseball game. Everybody in Blue and White hit. Homers were pounded out. The following three innings showed that AMA had piled up 16 runs while Beverley Manor failed to tally. AMA knocked two BMHS pitchers out of the box. The visitors put in pitcher-first baseman Blair who held the Augustans to a pair in the remaining portions of the game.

Moore started for Augusta and Moon did the catching. The visitors just could not find Moore's fast ball. In order to save Moore, Coach Koogler replaced the former with Larus, varsity letterman who did not lose a game last season. Larus did the same as Moore, continually finding holes in the guest's bats. Luck came back to BMHS as they took two runs off Larus. Sykes then took the mound holding the batters until the last out of the final inning when he suddenly went wild, walking three men in succession. The bases loaded BMHS found the ball, knocked out a double and scored two runs. The last out came by a ball hit between first and second right in First Baseman Koellmer's glove.

FORK UNION DEFEATS

KOOGLERMEN 13-8

After a 3-0 lead in the second inning and held the tie score through the sixth and seventh innings, Augusta went down before the bats of Fork Union for a 13-8 defeat. Moore, AMA hurler, fanned 13 while his opponent, Garnett, struck out 15. Fork Union out-hit Augusta 12 to 9. Excellent performances were turned in by Moore, Koellmer and Larus.

FUMA NETMEN DEFEAT AMA

In the initial meet of the season the Blue and White Tennis men lost to a strong Fork Union team. Our only win came in doubles when Coleman and Burton after losing the first match, came back strong to down their opponents 6-3 and 6-4.

FENCING GOES ON

The Fencing Team is now working out at night in preparation for a heavy season next year. With such meets as West Point, Annapolis, and other colleges the Fencers have to be in first class condition. The boys who are coming back next year are given the most particular attention. In the foil, Cadets Bowie, Field, and Ducey are working with Tomlin, Lepper, Conley, Gibbs, Kirby, Henry L. With this number returning next year, competition is bound to be keen, and a good combination should result. In the Epee Brewer, Smith and Mandes are working with the new boys, Snyder, Brownley J, and some of the numerous foil men will move into the Epee. In the saber, McGuffin, Griner and Moerschell are concentrating on Tyrrell and Cornelius.

It is the aim of the Fencing Team to defeat both Army and Navy next year, and if present predictions are borne out, this ideal will be realized.

MONOGRAMS AWARDED

MEMBERS SPORT TEAMS

Shortly before the Spring recess period, the following monograms in their respective sports were awarded by Major C. S. Roller:

Basketball Maj. Monograms—Koellmer, Horne, Pigg, Nelson, Powell, Pitman, Gilliam and Gliboff; Minor Monograms—Burton, Barnes, and Schindel.

Swimming Major Monograms—(Captain) Winn, (Co-Captain) Siebold, Sellers, Click, Philhower, Fotinos, Grove, Lane, and Lever; Minor Monograms—Wilson, Freshman, Moncada, Parker, and Harding.

Rifle Major Monograms—Ritz, Lea, McClintic, Wright, and McLoney; Minor Monograms—Layng, Larriek, Huntsberry, Howard, and Bangsberg.

Fencing Major Monograms—Ducey, Field, Bowie, Smith, Brewer, Mandes, Moerschell, and Griner; Minor Monograms—McGuffin, Warfield, Tomlin, Henry, Lepper, and Conley.

Wrestling Major Monograms—Molloy, Callahan, Cranshaw, Barnes, Mayer, Adelberg, Crawford, Rhodes; Minor Monograms—Wolfe, Tompkins, Hamilton, Gregory, Larus, Winston and Cornelius.

JUNIOR BARRACKS COLUMN

Major Roller surprised J Barracks by having the walls painted during the "Spring Furlough." The Juniors are trying to live up to the nice clean walls by keeping everything clean.

Hailey is back after an illness. Better luck next vacation.

Mundin has a plastic ball guaranteed not to break, but Mrs. Davis is afraid to accept the invitation to sit on it.

"Who's radio is on?" "No one's Mrs. Davis, that's Ramasuer, the Washington Hillbilly crooning." He is getting plenty of help these days. Stetgall and Wein keep chiming in.

Baseball fans have taken over the barracks. "Bull" Pulliam even has a regular hat.

Condon J. and Coulter may be found every afternoon after drill on the diamond.

Johnny Collins received a fine new glove today from his father who paid a surprise visit.

Dedrick is the proud owner of a softball bat.

Mann received an out fielder's glove from his father.

Chappelear and Steagall and Sites are to be found in back of the PX playing catch.

Wein is also a baseball fan.

Ramaseur is trying to get Ward and Robbins interested in Tennis and Badminton.

Long P.K. plays the spectator game, checking on baseball, tennis and track.

Sites received a lovely pair of track shoes.

Oliver is the swimming enthusiast. Cuervo O. and Peralta take their exercise in talking Spanish.

Tracy is improving and will be with us soon.

Remember a hike last year?

Peter went a fishin'

The boys pushed him in;

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Was that Peter couldn't swim.

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As I was walking along one day
Past the barracks which was near my
way,
A hardened old soldier I chanced to
pass.
Not knowing it then, but I just met
Brass.
I was new at Augusta that day in the
fall,
And I failed to salute, and soon he did
call:
"Oh son, son, come here to my side,
And my own life story in you I'll con-
fide.

I was born in a cabin in the hills far
away
On a bright Sabbath morning, a beau-
tiful day.
But then came the war and my young
heart grew bolder,
And I went overseas with leaves on my
shoulder.
Now Son, you remember, while all this
I say,
My heart still belongs to AMA.
So back I did come across the deep
blue sea,
To help my Dad's boys and command-
ant be.

I'm twice ten times sixty plus seventy
two,
But my heart is still the same as the
day it was new.
I'm a teacher of Science, and I've seen
physics through,
Inventor of reapers and a boxing
champ, too.
Staying awake with permits at night,
Still always rising with dawn's early
light,
I'm finding it easy to keep growing old,
Since my boys are anything but the
same as pure gold.

I dish out the tours along with the coal,
And everyone's seen it, the corps as a
whole,
My midnight inspections the boys it
does please,
And they are under arrest with the
greatest of ease.
Now son, you recall what I've said on
this day,
And the next time you see me, now
don't turn away,
For remember this always till school
this year ends,
I'm your father, your commandant, ad-
viser and friend.

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